

This form is to inform you of the agreements and conditions under which ADAPT provides client services. We ask that you review this form with your counsellor and have them answer any questions that you have, prior to signing this Consent to Accept Treatment.

- 1) ADAPT services are about **dignity, respect and recovery**:
 - a) Participation in ADAPT services is voluntary, goal focused and time limited.
 - b) The client actively participates in the development of a treatment plan that is unique to their individual strengths and needs.
 - c) ADAPT takes a “strength-based” approach which views all clients as resourceful, resilient, and capable of positive change.
 - d) We value inclusion, and accommodate the diversity, values, beliefs and ability of those we serve.
 - e) ADAPT believes treatment is more successful when it includes an individual’s family, friends and community, embracing the social, cultural and spiritual identity of the client.
 - f) A client may withdraw from service at any time.
- 2) All information pertaining to any client of ADAPT is strictly confidential. This confidentiality is assured through the Personal Health Information Privacy Act (PHIPA). As a result, no information in an ADAPT clinical record can be released to a third party without the client’s direct consent. This includes information stored in either a hard-copy clinical record kept by the agency, or clinical notes submitted to the electronic Case Notes database.
- 3) All ADAPT staff are legally bound by the “duty to report” in the following circumstances:
 - a) Where a client has stated a direct threat/intention to harm themselves or others, or where a client’s actions will pose a direct risk of harm to themselves or others.
 - b) Any situation that is deemed to be of high risk for anticipated/potential harm to a child, including risk for the abuse, neglect, endangerment or abandonment of any child under the age of 16 yrs.
 - c) Where a counselor or your personal health record is legally subpoenaed and must, by law, be provided to/appear in court.
- 4) On occasion, an ADAPT counselor may consult with a colleague to ensure that a client receives the best possible care. All parties involved in the consultation will be bound by the privacy and duties, described above.
- 5) Clients who are impaired in any way are asked to please call to re-schedule your appointment if there is any evidence that your choice to drive may endanger yourself or others. Should a client present as impaired whilst receiving services from ADAPT, the agency will cancel services for that day and will arrange safe transportation. Should a client insist on endangering themselves or the community by driving impaired, the ADAPT staff will be mandated to report this under the “duty to report” guidelines. (see 3-a, above)
- 6) Client feedback about any services received at ADAPT is encouraged and welcomed. In support of this, feedback can be submitted directly to clientrights@haltonadapt.org

I have reviewed and understand the above information and agree to accept services from ADAPT

Client Signature: _____ Date: _____

I have reviewed the above information with the client:

Counsellor Signature: _____ Date: _____